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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Markus MENGEL
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SPATIALLY RESOLVED
POLARIMETRY
Assignee: CARL ZEISS SMT AG
Our Ref: Q79656

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation-in-Part Application of pending prior Application No. 10/628,431 (Confirmation No. 5290) filed July 29, 2003 of Markus MENGEI entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING THE INFLUENCING OF THE STATE OF POLARIZATION BY AN OPTICAL SYSTEM; AND AN ANALYSER.

Attached hereto is the Continuation-in-Part Application comprising nineteen (19) pages of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and one (1) sheet of drawings, along with a Form PTO SB/08 listing documents filed in the parent application. **This Application is being filed in German. A translation with verification will be submitted at a later date.**

A copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

TOTAL FEE \$770.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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| Germany | 103 04 822.7 | January 31, 2003 |

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 10/628,431.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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By A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George F. Lehnigk".

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